

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Hiroyuki Kida et al.  
Application No.: 10/587,958  
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Title: WATER-SWELLABLE WATERPROOF SEALANT  
Art Unit: 1794  
Examiner: Walter Aughenbaugh  
Confirm. No.: 6640  
Docket No. 2700/1

Via EFS WEB  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**PETITION UNDER 1.136(a) AND  
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the Non Final Office Action with a Notification Date of September 23, 2009. Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to grant a one (1) month extension of time, up to January 23, 2010, in which to respond to the Office Action in the above-identified application. The extension fee may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and arguments:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2.

**Arguments/Remarks** begin on Page 7.

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